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November 2, 1971

Mr. Robert Brooks
Office of the Dean of Students
227 Whitmore

Dear Mr. Brooks,

Pursuant to our telephone conversation of Monday, November 1, please find enclosed a memo issued to the staff on that date.

The unfortunate occurences of the past few weeks will not, I hope, recur. It is in the nature of a transient staff, like WMUA's, for such mishaps to occur. It is incumbent upon the executive staff of the station to ensure that training of new staff members proceeds in a manner most likely to produce the most professional of behavior.

Thank you for your concern in this matter.

Very truly yours,
John Zizis
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Station Manager
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Memo to Whom it May Concern:

Within the past several weeks, I have received complaints from members of the faculty and staff stemming from what they termed "unauthorized" use of taped interviews.

Specifically, during the period following Chancellor Tippo's resignation, several faculty and staff members were interviewed, their remarks taped and aired on newscasts. The men being interviewed were not informed of the fact that the conversation was being recorded for the purposes of air use.

It is not now, nor has it ever been, the policy of this station to record conversations without first informing the participants. Henceforth, all telephone interviews must be conducted only after participants have been informed of the fact that the conversation will be recorded for possible air use.

I hope that the News and Program Directors will cooperate to the best of their ability in transmitting to their staffs the urgency of professional behavior in this respect.

John Zizis
Station Manager

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